

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING  
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 2 NOVEMBER 1993

----- BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION -----

REFNO: 0805-1-02 (ACCNO 0652)                      Status: (T) RELEASED  
Name: CARRIGAN, LARRY EDWARD                      Date Status assigned: 14 Mar 1973

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	
Service	AIR FORCE	Sex	MALE	Blood type	
Grade	03	Hair		Complexion	FAIR
SSAN	DATA	Eyes		Weapon	.38 CAL PISTOL
Serial No	3119604	Height	in /0.00 mtrs	Weapon No	K615003
Birth date		Weight	lb / 0.0 kg	Duty pos	PILOT
Home State	ARIZONA	Religion		PW Camp	HANOI PW DETE

----- SITE INFORMATION -----

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)                      LAST KNOWN LOCATION (1)

Site Type:	CRASH SITE	
UTM:	48QWK420160	48QWK412177
Lat/Long:	215057N / 1052423E	215153N / 1052356E
Country:	NORTH VIETNAM	
Military Region:	2	3
Mission Province:	TUYEN QUANG	
(formerly):	THAI NGUYEN	HANOI
Mission District:	YEN SON	
Mission Date:	23 Aug 1967	
Mission Category:	3	\$
Local Analysis:	None.	

----- JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY -----

Folders Passed: Nov 89, Oct 89, Aug 89  
Investigations: Feb 90, Nov 91  
Surveys: Feb 90, Nov 91  
Excavations: Apr 92  
Vessey Case: NO

----- VEHICLE DATA -----

Vehicle Type: F4D	Serial: 247
Crash Type: Enemy action	Engine Type: J7915
Call Sign: FORD 04	1 Serial: 434711
Year: 66	2 Serial: 434874

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REFNO:                      Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED  
Name: NAME                      Date Status assigned: 9 Oct 1973

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	
Service	AIR FORCE	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O +
Grade	02	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	TAN
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	.38 CAL PISTOL
Serial No		Height	71 in /1.80 mtrs	Weapon No	K594475
Birth date	DATA	Weight	160 lb / 72.5 kg	Duty pos	PILOT
Home State		Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

----- SITE INFORMATION -----

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)                      LAST KNOWN LOCATION (2)

Site Type:	CRASH SITE	
UTM:	48QWK420160	48QWK538026
Lat/Long:	215057N / 1052423E	214340N / 1053113E
Country:	NORTH VIETNAM	
Military Region:	2	
Mission Province:	TUYEN QUANG	
(formerly):	THAI NGUYEN	
Mission District:	YEN SON	
Mission Date:	23 Aug 1967	
Mission Category:	3	
Local Analysis:	None.	Remote area.

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Vessey Case: TWO  
Case type: DISCREPANCY  
Survivability: (1) Out of the aircraft at the time of the crash

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--- CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ---

20 January 1976

ON 23 AUG 67 MAJ CHARLES R. TYLER, AIRCRAFT COMMANDER, AND CAPT RONALD N. SITTNER, PILOT, WERE FLYING THE LEAD F4, (#66-0286, CALL SIGN FORD 01); AND CAPT LARRY E. CARRIGAN, AIRCRAFT COMMANDER, AND ~~NAME~~, PILOT, WERE FLYING THE NUMBER FOUR F4, (#66-0247, CALL SIGN FORD 04), IN A FLIGHT OF FOUR ON A STRIKE MISSION OVER NORTH VIETNAM. WHILE ENROUTE TO THE TARGET THIS FLIGHT WAS ATTACKED BY A MIG 21. THIS MIG 21 FIRED MISSILES AND OBTAINED HITS, FIRST UPON FORD 04 AND THEN UPON FORD 01. (THIS OCCURRED IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES WK 550 020.) THREE PARACHUTES WERE SEEN AND FOUR BEEPERS WERE HEARD.

SEARCH FORCES MADE RADIO CONTACT WITH CAPT CARRIGAN ON THE GROUND, BUT WERE UNABLE TO RESCUE HIM. UPON HIS RELEASE FROM CAPTIVITY BY NORTH VIETNAM, CAPT CARRIGAN REPORTED SEEING TWO PARACHUTES BESIDES HIS OWN. CAPT CARRIGAN ALSO REPORTED SEEING BOOT PRINTS AND HEARING HIS NAME CALLED. (BOTH INCIDENTS COULD NOT BE CORRELATED TO THE ACTIONS OF MAJ TYLER.) MAJ TYLER, UPON HIS RELEASE FROM CAPTIVITY, WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AS HE HAD LAPSED INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS WHEN THE MISSILE DESTROYED HIS AIRCRAFT. (REF 1 & 2)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THESE INDIVIDUALS' NAMES AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. CAPT CARRIGAN AND MAJ TYLER WERE RELEASED BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE IN MARCH 1973. CAPT SITTNER AND ~~NAME~~ ARE CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

--- REFERENCES ---

20 January 1976

REFERENCES: <1> RPT , BCSG AF FORM 484 W/ATTACHMENTS, 29 AUG 67. <2> LTR , AFMPC, 21 AUG 74. <3> JCRC LNO 191051Z MAR 90. <4> JCRC LNO BANGKOK TH MSG DTG 191051Z MAR 90. <5> JCRC LNO BKK, TH 280258Z JAN 92. <6> 290607Z MAY 92, CJTFFA DET ONE BKK, TH. <7> CDR, JTF-FA/J2 210022Z OCT 93.

--- NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ---

28 September 1985

A NEGOTIATION FOLDER ON ~~NAME~~ WAS PASSED TO THE SRV DURING THE 25-28 SEP 1985 JCRC TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI. (U) A NEGOTIATION FOLDER

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ON ~~NAME~~ WAS PASSED TO THE VNOSMP DURING THE 25 - 27 JULY 88 JCRC/VNOSMP TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

3 December 1987

A CASE NARRATIVE PERTAINING TO ~~NAME~~ WAS PASSED BY JCRC ON 4 AUG 87 TO THE SRV EMBASSY IN BANGKOK PURSUANT TO AGREEMENTS REACHED BETWEEN GENERAL VESSEY AND SRV FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN CO THACH.

20 September 1989

A CASE NARRATIVE PERTAINING TO ALL INDIVIDUALS WAS PASSED BY JCRC TO THE VNOSMP DURING THE 28 - 30 AUGUST 1989 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

7 December 1989

THE JCRC DISCUSSED THIS CASE WITH THE VNOSMP DURING THE 27 - 29 NOVEMBER 1989 TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

8 December 1989

DURING THE 29 - 30 OCT 89 MEETING IN HANOI, GEN VESSEY PASSED A NARRATIVE ON THIS CASE TO VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN CO THACH.

8 April 1991

DURING THE 19 - 23 MARCH 1991 TECHNICAL MEETING, THE U.S. TEAM PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE ITS ASSESSMENT OF THE RESULTS OF THE JOINT INVESTIGATIONS ON CASE 0805.

--- ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ---

20 January 1976

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: RONALD N. SITTNER 0804-2-01, CHARLES R. TYLER 0804-1-02, ~~NAME~~, AND LARRY E. CARRIGAN 0806-1-02.

--- MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ---

20 July 1977

INCIDENT LOCATION CHANGED FROM WK334142 TO WK550020 AND LAST KNOWN LOCATION FROM WK340140 TO WK538026 BASED ON MSG, 432 TRW, 231245Z AUG 67.

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--- MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ---

23 January 1991

CHANGE CAPT CARRIGAN'S CAPTURE POINT TO WK 412177. (REF 3)

24 April 1991

BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THE JOINT INVESTIGATION OF THIS CASE, CHANGE THE INCIDENT LOCATION FOR BOTH REFNO 0805 AND 0804 TO WK4216. THIS IS THE APPROXIMATE CENTER OF MASS OF THE SEVERAL KILOMETER SQUARE AREA WHERE ALL SITES VISITED WERE LOCATED. (REF 4)

--- JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ---

24 April 1991

DURING JOINT INVESTIGATIVE ITERATION NUMBER NINE CONDUCTED IN VIETNAM FROM 16 FEBRUARY TO 6 MARCH 1990, A JOINT TEAM INVESTIGATED CASE 0804 AND 0805 IN BAC THAI AND HA TUYEN PROVINCES, VIETNAM. THE TEAM WAS NOT ABLE TO LOCATE ANY EVIDENCE INDICATING THE AIRCRAFT OR CREWMEN IN THESE CASES WERE LOST IN THE VICINITY OF WK5502 AS REPORTED IN U.S. RECORDS OR THAT MAJOR TYLER HAD BEEN TRANSPORTED THROUGH BAC THAI PROVINCE ENROUTE TO HANOI. THE TEAM WAS ABLE TO LOCATE TWO F-4 AIRCRAFT CRASH SITES IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES WK413168 AND WK430147. LOCAL VILLAGERS REPORTED THEY HAD CAPTURED ONE PILOT FROM EACH AIRCRAFT, ONE IMMEDIATELY AND THE OTHER THREE DAYS AFTER THE INCIDENT. THREE YEARS LATER, THE REMAINS OF ANOTHER PILOT WERE LOCATED UNDER HIS PARACHUTE WHICH WAS ENTANGLED IN A TREE IN THE FOREST IN THE VICINITY OF WK420158. THE VILLAGERS REPORTEDLY BURIED THE REMAINS IN THE VICINITY OF THE DISCOVERY LOCATION. A SEARCH BY THE TEAM AND THE INDIVIDUALS REPORTEDLY INVOLVED IN THE BURIAL OF THE REMAINS FAILED TO LOCATE ANY SIGN OF REMAINS OR A BURIAL SITE. THE TEAM WAS SHOWN THE POINT WHERE THE PILOT CAPTURED IMMEDIATELY WAS BROUGHT AFTER HIS CAPTURE, WK420154. THIS PILOT WAS CAPTURED IN THE VICINITY OF WK414155. THIS INFORMATION IS CONSISTENT WITH 0804 AND 0805; HOWEVER, IT IS DIFFICULT TO ASCERTAIN WHICH CRASH SITE CORRELATES TO WHICH CASE AS BOTH WERE IN THE SAME FLIGHT AND BOTH CRASHED WITHIN SECONDS OF EACH OTHER. (REF 4)

31 January 1992

FROM 17 TO 24 NOV 91, A JOINT TEAM INVESTIGATED REFNO 0805 IN YEN SON (D), TUYEN QUANG (P). THE TEAM INTERVIEWED SEVERAL WITNESSES WHO DESCRIBED A 1967 INCIDENT WHICH INVOLVED THE SHOOTING DOWN OF TWO F-4 AIRCRAFT. THE WITNESSES PROVIDED VARYING ACCOUNTS OF THREE OR FOUR PARACHUTES IN THE SKY FOLLOWING THE SHOOT DOWN, WITH ONE PILOT CAPTURED IMMEDIATELY AND A SECOND PILOT CAPTURED ON THE FOLLOWING DAY. A SEARCH FOR THE REMAINING TWO PILOTS WAS ALLEGEDLY CONDUCTED FOR OVER A MONTH, BUT CONCLUDED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. TWO WITNESSES WERE INTERVIEWED CONCERNING THEIR DISCOVERY OF

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PILOT RELATED ITEMS AND A PAIR OF BOOTS CONTAINING HUMAN REMAINS IN 1970. THESE ITEMS WERE FOUND ON A MOUNTAIN APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS FROM ONE OF THE AIRCRAFT CRASH SITES. THE TEAM TRAVELLED TO THIS MOUNTAIN LOCATION WHERE THEY RECOVERED PORTIONS OF A U.S. MILITARY SURVIVAL MAP AND OTHER CHARRED FRAGMENTS. THE TEAM THEN MOVED TO THE ALLEGED CRASH SITE LOCATION WHERE THEY FOUND MINIMAL AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE. NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FATE OF LIEUTENANT LANE WAS RECEIVED THROUGHOUT THIS INVESTIGATION. (REF 5)

31 July 1992

FROM 24 APR TO 26 APR 92, A JOINT TEAM EXCAVATED A REMOTE BURIAL SITE LOCATED AT WK413178 BELIEVED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH ~~NAME~~ <sup>NAME</sup>. SEVERAL PILOT RELATED ITEMS WERE RECOVERED. THE EVIDENCE RECOVERED AT THE SITE DURING THE EXCAVATION COUPLED WITH THE DATA IN JTF FILES SUPPORT THE CORRELATION OF THIS SITE WITH LIEUTENANT LANE. (REF 6)

--- ARCHIVAL RESEARCH INFORMATION ---

28 October 1993

ON 17 DEC 92, THE SRV PROVIDED A DOCUMENT TITLED, "COMBAT ACTIONS OF THE VIETNAM PEOPLES AIR FORCE 1965-1972." LINE ENTRY #142 POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0805 BASED ON INCIDENT DATE, LOCATION OF LOSS AND AIRCRAFT TYPE. (REF 7)